

FROM FAR-OFF AFRICA.

Interesting Letter From the Secretary of Le gation at Monrovia, Liberia.

MONROVIA, LIBERIA, May 18th, 1898. Mr. R. H. Anderson-My Very Dear Sir: It has been some time since I have seen you and Brother Strawder and now that I am somewhat over with suffering from the fever I will devote a part of this morning in conversation with you all

As you know I sailed from New York for Liverpool on the 23d of March and arrived in Liverpool, England, on Slat. I had a two weeks stay in Liverpool and you may be sure that I made the most of it. I was out every evening by invitation of the various W M., attending Masonic Lodges. There is no color line in the craft in England. I am now in Liberia. I arrived here May 2d. I found it exceedingly warm but I have seen just as warm days in Kentucky. The difference is that during the dry season the heat is uniformly and continuously oppressive. I arrived in the wet season, a time when it is most pleasant and healthy for foreigners. The dry season is usually very unhealthy as the soil is then drying and the atmos phere becomes foul.

I like the country much better than I thought I would. The people here are quite American in their habits, manners. etc. The government is modeled after that of the United States and the officials are dignified and intelligent. Many of them were educated in the best institutions of Europe and the Secretary of Interior is a classical graduate from Dartmouth College of New Hampshire, U.S. A. The President of the Republic of Liberia was born in Fayette county, Kentucky. His parents when he was a boy left Kentucky for Liberia. He is wealthy and is now President. His name is W. D. Coleman.

Remember me kindly to Captain Thomas Keith, tell him that I have had a siege of the African fever three times but with "Old Kentucky" (his compliments) and the doctor I am almost completely acclimated. Tender my regards to Mayor Cox and Mr. George Cox. Tell them I like the work at the Legation very much and will hold up the honor of the U.S. I have been admitted to the bar here and have been made a lay reader in Trinity P. E. Church here. Remember me kindly to Hon. Tom Davis and Mr. Jack Orr.

I have placed my traveling card in Monrovia City Lodge, G. U. O. O. F., here and am paying dues to them. There is a strong movement on foot to institute another lodge of Oddfellows here. In fact, Monrovia City Lodge has recommended them and they have applied for their charter.

The Grand Lodge of Masons here are in fraternal relations and exchanges Grand Representatives with England and all other first class Masonic Grand Bodies of Europe, excepting the Grand Orient of France. They also exchange Representatives with the Grand Lodge of Mexico, those of Central and South America

The gentleman with whom I board, Colonel A. D. Williams, ex Secretary of War and Navy, just received last month from the Grand Orient (Grand Lodge) of Belgium a diploma and a gold Past Master's jewel, appointing him the Grand Representative of the Grand Orient of Belgium near the Grand East of Liberia Hence you see our African brethren are somewhat ahead of our grand bodies in the United States. The only white offieer in the Grand Lodge of Liberia is the Grand Junior Warden. He is the Cousul of Norway and Sweden.

Remember me kindly to Brothers Dimmitt, Yates, Chambers, Seaton, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Strawder and family and all inquiring friends.

JAMES ROBERT SPURGEON.

Ex Postmaster J B. Hawes of Minerva, who has been quice til for several weeks, is sguin able to attend to business.

WATERS RATE BUCK

Travels in Style to Europe with a Silver King.

Strange Whim of D. H. Meffat, of Colorado - Takes His Favorite Watter with Him to His Travels.

D. H. Moffat, the Colorado silver king, arrived at Queenstown the other day on the Campania. In an interview he said: "Yes, I have brought a waiter of the Fifth Avenue hotel on a trip across the Atlantic. He has been in my employment a number of years, so long that I treat him as a companion. You will see his name in the saloon list, Thomas Gay. The saloon passengers received him in the best manner. In fact he was able to acoust himself so creditably that they didn't know but he was a gentleman bred and born. He did ever so many nice things aboard-so many that they would be difficult to mention. The weather was most beautiful on the Atlantic and he enjoyed himself immensely. Capt. Walker and down to the cable boy treated him to princely fashion. He associated with the soloon passengers aboard as well as myself. In the smoke room, where he smoked cigars ad libitum, he took his drink the same as any gentleman. His conduct in the saloon was equal to that of the best gentleman on the Campania. I intend to take him with me on an extended cruise. After our arrival in Liverpool we will journey to London and spend some time there; thence to Scotland to see the Scottish lakes, and then to Paris to see the gayety there. He will return on the Lucania to New York with me 30 days hence. He will stay in my company the entire time. When he gets back he will resume his duties as waiter in the hotel. His loss of wages will be paid by me. He is a nice fellow. I enjoy his company greatly."

A MILLIONAIRE'S TROUBLES.

Makes War on a Brush Factory as Greenwich, Conn., and Arouses the Citizens' Ire.

Elias C. Benedict, who has made a fortune out of gas and won notoriety as the intimate friend of Grover Cleveland, is in a fresh lot of trouble with his fellow-townsmen of Greenwich, Conn. The time the row is over a brush tactory, owned by Watson Higgins and Samuel Brooks, blind men, situated near Millionaire Benedict's place on

Indian harbor. He does not like the odor of sulphur which drifts in through the mosquito bars of his home when the wind blows from the direction of the factory. It is necessary to use sulphur in a brush factory. He told the proprietors they would have to close their establishment. They were surprised. They told him they could not without financial losses to them and to their workmen. Millionaire Benedict gave them to understand that if they did not go of their own accord they would be oreed to go.

Mr. Benedict prevailed upon the president of the Commercial Home for the Blind at Hartford to say he would not allow the inmates of the home to make brushes for the firm unless they moved the factory. This was a hard blow and Higgins and Brooks staggered, but citizens of Greenwich, which has several old scores against Mr. Benedict, have rallied to their support and urged them to stand their ground. A lively controversy is in prospect.

LOUIS KEMPER APPOINTED.

Designated Postmaster at Santiago in Place of Stuart Who Wished to Remain with Army.

Louis Kemper has been designated to act as the postmaster at Santiago. This action was taken because Maj. Stuart, who had been selected for this place, desired to remain with the army. He has a commission as major in the Eighth Illinols. Instructions were issued to Mr. Kemper to administer the postal affairs at Santlago under the supervision of the military authorities,

Postmaster General Smith requests the press to give notice that all letters addressed to soldiers and sailors of the United States in Puerto Rico, Cuba or Manila will continue to be sent as heretofore at the two-cent rate. The recent order opening general postal communication with Santiago and fixing the five-cent rate for letters and the other rates of the postal union for other articles applies only to the general service, which is page, are FREE to all. entirely distinct from the army and navy service.

Berlin's Sewage System. The sewage system of Berlin annual-00 tons of sewage for distribution over an area of 20,000 sores lying from 7 to 15 miles beyond the city limits. Although the cost of the drainage is about \$25,000,000 a year, the enormously increased fertility of the land makes it a paying operation. Besides that, it is the most sanitary and scientific mode of disposing of the city's sewage

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The French minister of agriculture has issued a notice that all importations into France of meats containing borax or boracte acid will be prohibited.

New Garbage Burner Efficient. burning garbage does the work for about nine cents per 1,000 pounds.

Buszin's Meteorological Department The Russian meteorological department has stations at 20 different places in the empire.



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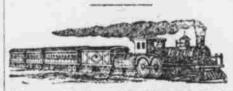
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> Kansas City and Return 829 20, Omaha, Neb., and Return 835 70, via the C. and O., June 10th

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and Wellsburg Railroad last year were R. will have headquarters at the Central \$9,802 05, expenses \$8,139 65. As it is a Hotel, Newport, during the Grand En-"home railroad" it is a splendid success. campment at Cincinnati.

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